

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 506

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jennifer Patterson, 2009
Valedictorian of Stewart County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Patterson is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2009 graduating class at Stewart County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, she has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jennifer has earned an exemplary grade point average and top marks in her class while participating in several scholastic and civic organizations and societies, including Beta Club, Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), National Honor Society, National Honor Roll, Science Club, Math Team, Building Every Asset Right from the Start Team, Family Community and Career Leaders of America, Youth Group at Pardue Memorial Free Will Baptist Church, and Girl Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, she was honored with the Girl Scout Silver Award, the Top Girl Scout Cookie Seller Award, and she was named in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, her intellectual talents were on display while competing, placing, and winning numerous regional, state, and national spelling contests; and

WHEREAS, deeply involved in her community, Jennifer volunteered her time and energy to many worthwhile endeavors, including the Cemetery Memorial Day Clean-up program at Ft. Donelson National Cemetery, the annual HOSA Blood Drive sponsored by the American Red

Cross, the Special Olympics, and Share-A-Thon at Pardue Memorial Free Will Baptist Church;
and

WHEREAS, Ms. Patterson's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes
well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her
parents, Michael Patterson and Cindy Jackson, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Jennifer's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect,
admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Stewart County High School
Valedictorian, Jennifer Patterson, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her
our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared
for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.